

Notice of Allowability

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to phone conversation of 8/18/06.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 2,3,7-9,12-15.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
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5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

- ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
- ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Stephen Ashley on 8/18/06.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 2

Line 1:

Delete [connecting bracket] and replace with masonry anchor

Claim 3

Line 1:

Delete [connecting bracket] and replace with masonry anchor

Claim 9

Line 1:

Delete [connecting bracket] and replace with masonry anchor

Line 2:

Delete [each of the first and second connectors comprises an eye] and replace with the masonry anchor is attached to the support member by welding the first and second welding points to the support member

Claim 12

Line 1:

Delete [connecting bracket] and replace with masonry anchor

Line 2:

Delete [first and second connectors are coplanar with the first and second arms and the cross member] and replace with support member comprises an elongate wire

Claim 13

Line 1:

Delete [connecting bracket] and replace with masonry anchor

Claim 14

Line 1:

Delete [connecting bracket for use in a]

Line 2:

Insert (a) a connecting bracket comprising: after "comprising:"

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Line 3:

Delete [a] and replace with i

Line 6:

Delete [b] and replace with ii

Line 8:

Insert , the first connector comprising an eye sized and shaped to receive a complimentary connecting member between "thereon" and ";

Line 9:

Delete [c] and replace with iii

Line 11:

, the second connector comprising an eye sized and shaped to receive a complimentary connecting member between "thereon" and ";

Line 12:

Delete [d] and replace with iv

Line 14:

Insert , and further wherein the first and second connectors lie substantially flat on a common plane with the cross member, the first arm and the second arm; and (b) a support member for being embedded in a mortar joint of the first wall, wherein the connecting bracket is attached to the support member by attachment of the first and second welding points to the support member, and the support member and the masonry anchor reside in the common plane between "member" and "."

Claim 15

Line 1:

Delete [connecting bracket] and replace with masonry anchor

Line 2:

Delete [first and second connections comprise first and second eyes that are substantially coplanar with the cross member and the first and second arms] and replace with support member comprises a support frame having at least two elongate wires connected by a plurality of transverse wires

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Basil Katcheves whose telephone number is (571) 272-6846. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:30am - 4:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Naoko Slack can be reached on (571) 272-6848. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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